



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/693,136  
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Applicant: David M. Allen  
Group Art Unit: 3643  
Examiner: Son T. Nguyen  
Title: PROTECTIVE GROUND MAT  
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**RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 1, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.